

State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing

VIA E-MAIL ONLY

February 15, 2018

Ms. Deborah M. Sorden, Vice President Health Services MAXIMUS 34 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 3000 Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Ms. Sorden:

RE: Notice of Monetary Penalty Regarding January Call Center Statistics

Reports for the month of January demonstrate the failure of MAXIMUS to meet contractual requirements related to call wait times and the percentage of calls that must be answered. In the month of January, call centers operated a total of eighteen (18) days. Call center statistics show two (2) days of noncompliance for call wait times and four (4) days of noncompliance for percentage of calls that must be answered.

The contract between MAXIMUS and the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) provides:

1.6.6.9.2.5 The toll-free telephone number shall be staffed 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m (Central Standard Time). Monday through Friday, excluding state holidays, at levels sufficient to ensure that ninety five percent (95%) of calls do not exceed the following wait times, computed on a daily basis:

1.6.6.9.2.5.2 Two (2) minutes after the first three (3) months of operation.

Failure to meet call center deliverables bears liquidated damages per day of noncompliance in accordance with the Table in Section 1.10.2.3 of the contract.

The table below outlines the specific date when the deliverables were not met.

January				
Date	Average Wait Time	Call Center	Associated Penalty	
1/8/2018	09:40	Regular	\$500	
1/18/2018	15:29	Regular	\$500	

January				
Date	Percentage of Calls	Call Center	Associated Penalty	
	Answered			
1/8/2018	56.15%	Regular	\$100	
1/10/2018	93.75%	Regular	\$100	
1/18/2018	47.51%	Regular	\$100	
1/22/2018	94.74%	Regular	\$100	

Total associated penalties:

2 Occurrences of call wait time exceeding 2 minutes \$1,000.00

4 Occurrences of 95% of calls not being answered \$\\$400.00\$

Total: \$1,400.00

Due to the instances of noncompliance outlined in this letter, the amount of \$1,400.00 will be deducted from the next invoice submitted by MAXIMUS.

Should you have any questions or which to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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